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Applicant: GERHART, Gunter

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Title: WALL OR DOOR ELEMENT,
PROVIDED WITH CASTORS

Art Unit: 3634

Examiner: Strimbu, G.J.

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

18 June 2007

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The following is submitted in response to the Office Action dated 19 March 2007 from Examiner Gregory J. Strimbu of Art Unit 3634.

Status begins on page 2.

Drawing Amendments begin on page 3 and a Replacement Sheet is attached.

Specification Amendments begin on page 4.

Claims Amendments begin on page 5.

Remarks begin on page 11.

I certify that this paper has been transmitted to the USPTO at the central fax receiving number of +1.571.273.8300 this 19th day of June 2007.


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STATUS

The drawings have been objected to for a shading issue.

The Specification (specifically the Abstract and the Title) has been objected to for a language issue.

Claims 1-11 are pending in the application.

The Claims have been objected to for a language issue.

Claims 1-11 have been rejected under 35 USC 112.

Claims 1-5 and 9 have been rejected under 35 USC 102(b) by US Patent No. 5,671,502 to Ezman (Ezman '502).

Claims 1, 6, 7, 10, and 11 have been rejected under 35 USC 102(b) by US Patent No. 4,633,615 to Moose (Moose '615).

Claim 8 has been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) by Ezman '502.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE

This response is being filed within the three-month shortened statutory deadline and no extension fees are due.

Applicant has paid for twenty (20) total claims and three (3) independent claims. This response results in eighteen (18) total claims and three (3) independent claims and no excess claims fee is due.